

Approximate Float Times and Distances

	Hrs - Min	Miles
Hesperia to Taylor Bridge	1 15	3.7
T. Bridge to Pines Pt./Podunk	2 00	6.0
Pines Pt. to Sischo Bayou	2 15	6.9
Sischo Bayou to North Branch	0 45	2.5
North Branch to Happy Mohawk	2 00	5.8
Happy Mohawk to Weesie's Rd.	2 30	7.0
Weesie's Rd. to White Lake	1 30	4.5

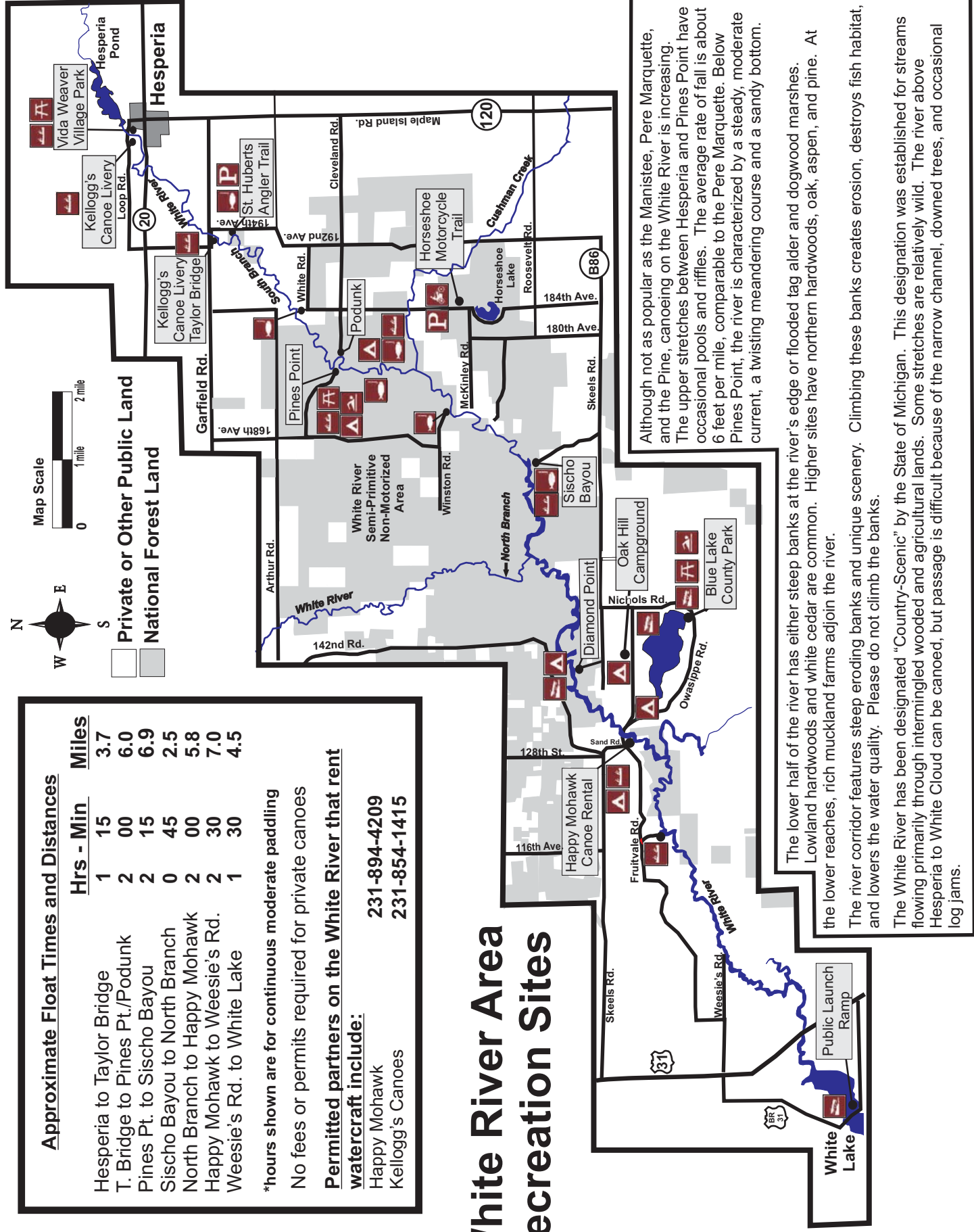
*hours shown are for continuous moderate paddling
No fees or permits required for private canoes

Permitted partners on the White River that rent

watercraft include:

Happy Mohawk
Kellogg's Canoes
231-894-4209
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White River Area Recreation Sites



Although not as popular as the Manistee, Pere Marquette, and the Pine, canoeing on the White River is increasing. The upper stretches between Hesperia and Pines Point have occasional pools and riffles. The average rate of fall is about 6 feet per mile, comparable to the Pere Marquette. Below Pines Point, the river is characterized by a steady, moderate current, a twisting meandering course and a sandy bottom.

The lower half of the river has either steep banks at the river's edge or flooded tag alder and dogwood marshes. Lowland hardwoods and white cedar are common. Higher sites have northern hardwoods, oak, aspen, and pine. At the lower reaches, rich muckland farms adjoin the river.

The river corridor features steep eroding banks and unique scenery. Climbing these banks creates erosion, destroys fish habitat, and lowers the water quality. Please do not climb the banks.

The White River has been designated "Country-Scenic" by the State of Michigan. This designation was established for streams flowing primarily through intermingled wooded and agricultural lands. Some stretches are relatively wild. The river above Hesperia to White Cloud can be canoed, but passage is difficult because of the narrow channel, downed trees, and occasional log jams.